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TAGS: SCUL, CH

SUBJECT: AAU TRACK TEAM
WHITE HOUSE PLEASE PASS PALM SPRINGS FOR SECRETARY KISSINGER
1. PRCLO'S HSIEH CH'I-MEI PHONED NATIONAL COMMITTEE'S
(NC) ART ROSEN APRIL 3 TO REPLY TO NC'S REQUESTS ON VISIT
OF AAU TRACK TEAM. HSIEH SAID THAT PEKING APPROVED THE
ADDITION OF SIX ATHLETES, BRINGING TOTAL GROUP TO 91
PEOPLE. PEKING ALSO GRANTED PERMISSION FOR CHARTER AIR-
CRAFT TO FLY INTO PEKING TO PICK UP DELEGATION AT CONCLU-
SION OF TOUR. ONLY NEGATIVE RESPONSE WAS TO REQUEST FOR
INCREASE IN NUMBER OF JOURNALISTS WITH DELEGATION TO ALLOW
FOR TV CAMERA CREW. HSIEH SAID THAT TV CREW MEMBERS WOULD
HAVE TO BE ACCOMMODATED WITHIN SIX SLOTS ALREADY ALLOTTED
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TO JOURNALISTS.

2. COMMENT: RELATIVELY FORTHCOMING ATTITUDE DISPLAYED
IN PEKING'S REPLY TO NATIONAL COMMITTEE IS ANOTHER INDICA-
TION THAT PRC DOES NOT WISH TO HAVE PERFORMING ARTS TROUPE
CANCELLATION AFFECT ONGOING EXCHANGEPROGRAM. INGERSOLL

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